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This is submitted in response to the Official Action dated July 9, 2004.

We acknowledge the restriction of the Application into Group I, including Claims 1-4 and 7-9, and Group II, including Claims 5 and 6.

We hereby elect Group I, including Claims 1-4 and 7-9, without traverse. We further elect Compound 2.

Respectfully submitted,

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